Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

Faribault County - District FY09 EQIP

1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:

Water Quality, Water Quantity, Soil Health, Soil Erosion (wind and water), Streambank Erosion, Odor Control, Wildlife Habitat, Nutrient Management and Groundwater Quality.

2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:

None

3. From items 1 & 2 above prioritize the local resource concerns to be addressed with EQIP funding for the district. Describe a minimum of 3 categories of the highest priority applications which you would want to receive funding.

Factors	Resource Priority	Weight
B1- Water Resource	High	10
E- Impaired Water	High	10
A2- Gully Control	High	9
A1- Erosion Control	High	7
F- Distance	High	7
A3- Wind Erosion	Medium	5
G- Grazing System	Medium	4
B2- Wastewater / CNMP	Medium	3
C- Habitat Improvement	Low	3
H- Forest Mgt.	Low	2
D- Air Quality	Low	2

4. Develop a minimum of 3 and maximum of 12 yes/no questions to determine if an application is addressing the high priority concerns described in item 3.

Factor A1 - Erosion Control - Sheet and Rill

The EQIP application results in <4 tons of soil saved?

If yes, they receive 1pts.

The EQIP application results in between 4-5 tons of soil saved?

If yes, they receive 3 pts.

The EQIP application results in >5 tons of soil saved?

If yes, they receive 5 pts.

The EQIP application results in a soil savings to move from above the allowable soil loss "T" to below the allowable soil loss "T"?

If yes, they receive 5 pts.

Factor A2 – Gully Control

The EQIP application will result in >10 tons of soil saved?

If yes, they receive 9 pts.

The EQIP application will result in between 10-5 tons of soil saved?

If yes, they receive 7 pts.

The EQIP application will result in <5 tons of soil saved?

If yes, they receive 5 pts.

Factor B1 - Water Resource

The EQIP application is signed up for any of the following practices: Filter Strip (393), Pest Management (595), Nutrient Management (590), or Well Decommissioning (351)?

If yes, they receive 10 pts.

The EQIP application is signed up for any of the following practices:

Closure of Waste Impoundment (360), Contour Buffer Strips (332), Diversion (362), Field Border (386), Irrigation Water Management (449), Prescribed Grazing (528), Riparian Forest Buffer (391), Rood Runoff (558), Streambank & Shoreline Protection (580) or Use Exclusion (472)?

If yes, they receive 8 pts.

Factor E – Impaired Water

Does the EQIP application fall within 100' of any of the 2008 list of Faribault County Impaired Waters?

If yes, they receive 10 pts.

Does the EQIP application fall between 101' – 500' of any of the 2008 list of Faribault County Impaired Waters?

If yes, they receive 8 pts.

Does the EQIP application fall between 501' – 1000' of any of the 2008 list of Faribault County Impaired Waters?

If yes, they receive 6 pts.

Does the EQIP application fall between 1001' – 5000' of any of the 2008 list of Faribault County Impaired Waters?

If yes, they receive 4 pts.

(Total maximum points = 47, local concerns)

- 5. Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities. The total points assigned to the questions should be between 35 to 60 points.
- 6. Submit this worksheet to your respective ASTC(FO). After approval from the state office, the questions will be entered into the Local Issues section of the ranking tool.

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 09 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

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